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**TO: COMMERCIAL SCUP INDUSTRY**

**FROM: VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION**

**RE: 2023 COMMERCIAL SCUP SUMMER PERIOD (MAY 1 THROUGH  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023) CLOSURE NOTICE**

Effective 12:00 A.M., Wednesday, June 7, 2023, the 2023 Scup Summer Period, May 1 through September 30, 2023, will close. Based upon landing reports from Virginia seafood buyers it is projected that Virginia will have caught 100% of the 9,005 pounds allocated for the Summer Period Quota by the above date and time.

**Therefore, after 12:00 A.M. on June 7, 2023, the possession or landing of scup (porgy) in Virginia by any commercial gear shall be prohibited. In addition, it shall be unlawful for any buyer of seafood to receive scup until the Winter II season opens on October 1, 2023. (Chapter 4 VAC 20-910-10 et seq.).**

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